

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3223

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide mandatory life imprisonment for persons convicted of a second serious violent felony or serious drug offense.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 1996

Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. McCOLLUM, Mr. COBLE, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. FROST, Mrs. MYRICK, and Mr. LATOURETTE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Two Strikes Act of
5 1996”.

1 **SEC. 2. MANDATORY LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR PERSONS**
2 **CONVICTED OF SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT SE-**
3 **RIOUS VIOLENT FELONIES OR SERIOUS**
4 **DRUG OFFENSES.**

5 Paragraph (1) of section 3559(c) of title 18, United
6 States Code, is amended by striking “if—” and all that
7 follows through the end of such paragraph and inserting
8 “if the person has been convicted (and that conviction has
9 become final) on a separate prior occasion, in a court of
10 the United States or a State, of one or more serious vio-
11 lent felonies or one or more serious drug offenses.”.

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